PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #82A-5 Building Date: late 19th century

Building Name: Dr. Frederick Sasscer Tenant House and Outbuildings

Location: 6201 Croom Station Road, Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772

Private/Residence/Occupied/Fair/Inaccessible

Description:

The Dr. Frederick Sasscer Tenant House is a two-story frame dwelling, two-by-three bays, rectangular in plan with a gable roof and a front cross gable. It is situated on a small hill facing Croom Station Road to the north. It is in a rural setting, surrounded by trees. Added to the rectangular main block of the building is a one-story, gable roof south kitchen wing and a one-story east addition. The three-bay north (main) facade has a central entrance flanked by two 6/6 windows. Both entrance and windows have a plain wood surround. There is a one-story, three-bay entrance porch across the facade which rests on cement piers. The hipped, standing seam metal porch roof rests on wooden posts. There is a central cross gable at the attic story. The house has interior corbelled brick chimneys at the east and west gable ends. It is covered with asphalt shingle siding, rests on a cement foundation, and has a patterned tin roof with a plain, boxed wood cornice. Immediately west of the house are three barns. The north and southmost appear to be of 20th century construction. The center barn has a gable roof with shallowly sloped roof extensions on the north and south sides. The center section of the building, under the gable ridge, is supported on brick piers and the sills and major structural timbers appear hand hewn.

Significance:

The Dr. Frederick Sasscer Tenant House and Outbuildings are situated on a part of what was the 306 acre Sasscer farm, called "The Meadows." The property was owned by members of the Sasscer family from 1854 through 1969. In 1945 the property was described as containing the main dwelling, five tenant houses, four barns, one cow or tobacco barn, one granary and one stable. One tenant house and its three barns are of concern here. The tenant house appears on the 1894 Hopkins map of the vicinity of Washington, D.C., but not on the 1878 Hopkins map. The house is typical of late nine-teenth century vernacular farmhouses built in this County. Characteristics it shares with other farmhouses built during the period include its two-story, frame gable roof construction; central cross gable on the main facade; facade-wide one-story entrance porch and austerity in further architectural detail.

Acreage: 3 acres

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and/or common	Dr. Frederick Sas	sscer Tenant House ar	nd Outbuildings	
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Category district X building(s) structure site object	Ownership public X private both Public Acquisition in process being considered x not applicable	StatusXoccupied unoccupied work in progress Accessible yes: restricted yes: unrestricted X no	Present Use agriculture commercial educational entertainment government industrial military	museum parkX private residence religious scientific transportation other:
4. Own	er of Prope	erty (give names an	nd mailing addresse	s of <u>all</u> owners)
name Mr.	Robert H. Kent			
street & number	6106 Montrose Ro	oad	telephone no) .:
city, town	Rockville	state	and zip code Md.	20852
5. Loca	ation of Leg	al Description		
courthouse, regi	stry of deeds, etc. Pri	nce George's County	Courthouse	liber 3707
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6. Rep	resentation	in Existing	Historical Surv	eys
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7. Description

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Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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The three-bay north (main) facade has a central entrance flanked by two 6/6 double hung sash windows. Both the entrance and the windows have a plain wood surround. There is a one-story, three-bay entrance porch across the facade. The porch rests on cement piers and the hipped, standing seam metal porch roof rests on wooden posts. There is a central cross gable at the attic story.

The house has interior corbelled brick chimneys at the east and west gable ends. It is covered with asphalt shingle siding, rests on a cement foundation, and has a patterned tin roof with a plain, boxed wood cornice.

Centered on the south (rear) facade of the main block is a two-by one bay, one-story, gable roof, wing with a corbelled brick interior chimney at its south gable ridge. It rests on a cement foundation and has the same wall, cornice and roof treatment as the main structure. The east one-by-one-bay, shed-roof addition is also covered with asphalt shingle. It is set on high cement block piers and its east side entrance is reached by wooden steps.

Immediately west of the house are three barns. The barn to the north-west of the house, closest to Croom Station Road, has a standing-seam metal gable roof. There are four large semi-octagonal entrances on the east facade. The sills and structural posts rest on cement piers and the barn appears to be of 20th century construction.

The barn directly west of the house has a gable roof with shallow extensions on the north and south sides. The center section of the building, under the gable ridge, is supported on brick piers while the outer sections, to the north and south, are supported on cement blocks. The sills and major structural timbers appear hand hewn. There are both wire nails and machine cut nails in the structure.

The barn to the south of the house has board and batten siding and rests on cement piers. Its orientation is toward the house, as is that of the other two barns. The north and south facades are five-bays, composed of five evenly spaced small square openings.

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Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Level of Significance: national state local

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Notes

Significance

- l Land Records of Prince George's County, Wills, WCH 1:262, 1952.
- ² <u>Ibid</u>. F.S. 1:306, 1862 and 3701:133, 1969.
- 3 Ibid. Equity #14,653, 1945.

See Footnotes, #8

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name/title Marina King, Architectura	l Historian	
organization Historic Preservation	Commission	date August 1985
street & number 14741 Governor Oder	Bowie Drive	telephone 952-3521
city or town Upper Marlboro,		state Md. 20772

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401

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The house and outbuildings are buffered from the road and surrounding fields by trees. The enclosing trees and the hilliness of the surrounding yard give the site a small, well defined environmental setting.

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NOMINATION FORM for the NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

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The house, most likely a tenant house, is a two-story, frame building with a three-bay, main (north) facade with a central gable. At either end there are internal chimneys. The windows are 6/6 double hung sash. To the south is an ell with an internal end chimney.

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Chain of Title

Dr. Frederick Sasscer Tenant House and Outbuilding P.G. #82A-5

#37	707:48	
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Route Four Corporation to Robert H. Kent and David L. Stearman; 253.9 acres in Mellwood District; part of the same property described in #2082:593.

#3701:133 13 March 1969 Deed

Frederick and Marie L. Sasscer to Route Four Corporation; 253.9 acres in Mellwood District; part of the same property described in #2082:593.

#2082:593 7 March 1957 Deed

Matilda W. Duvall to Frederick and Marie L. Sasscer; 306 acres in Mellwood District, the remaining portion of the Rosalie Sasscer Farm; same which James Selwyn Sasscer acquired by #47:588, same of which a one-third undivided portion was conveyed by Wilmer D. Pyles, trustee in Equity #14,653, to Mary W. Sasscer and Frederick Sasscer, same which was devised by will recorded WHC #1:262, and same which grantor acquired by deed recorded immediately prior hereto.

#2082:591 7 March 1957 Deed

Frederick and Marie L. Sasscer to Matilda W. Duvall; 306 acres in Mellwood District; same which grantors acquired by will recorded WHC #1:262.

WCH #1:262 15 July 1952 Will

Estate of Mary Wilson Sasscer who died 9 Jan. 1946; deceased devised to her son, Frederick Sasscer, "one-third undivided interest in the farm called "The Meadows" ...containing 396 acres.

#805:354 26 March 1946 Deed

For \$16,450, Wilmer D. Pyles, trustee in Equity #14,653, to Mary W. Sasscer, widow, and Frederick Sasscer, as tenants in common; 306 acres in Mellwood District; a one-half undivided interest to each grantee in the one-third undivided interest in the property of Anna E. Sasscer, non compos mentis; same which James Selwyn Sasscer, deceased, acquired by #47:558.

Equity #14,653 13 March 1945 Petition of Mary W. Sasscer et al for Court's ratification of contract of sale for Mary Sasscer and Frederick Sasscer, her son, to purchase from Wilmer D. Pyles, trustee, the one-third undivided interest of Anna E. Sasscer, who had been declared non compos mentis, in the 306 remaining acres of the farm which had belonged to James Selwyn Sasscer, deceased.

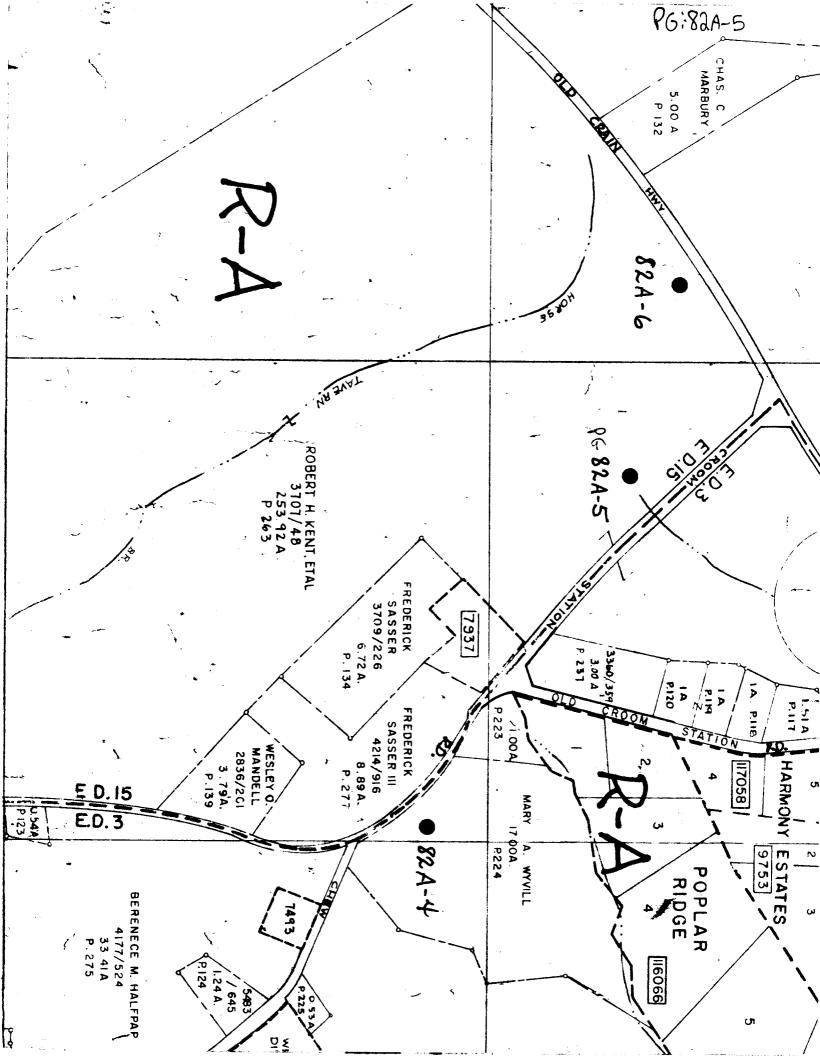
#47:558 9 Jan. 1907 Deed of Gift Rosalie Sasscer, widow, to James Selwyn Sasscer, her son; 320 acres known as the Meadows, part of Delay, Addition to Delay and part of Weston (with five exceptions); "The property hereby conveyed is described on the Assessment Books of said County as "Bacon Hall".

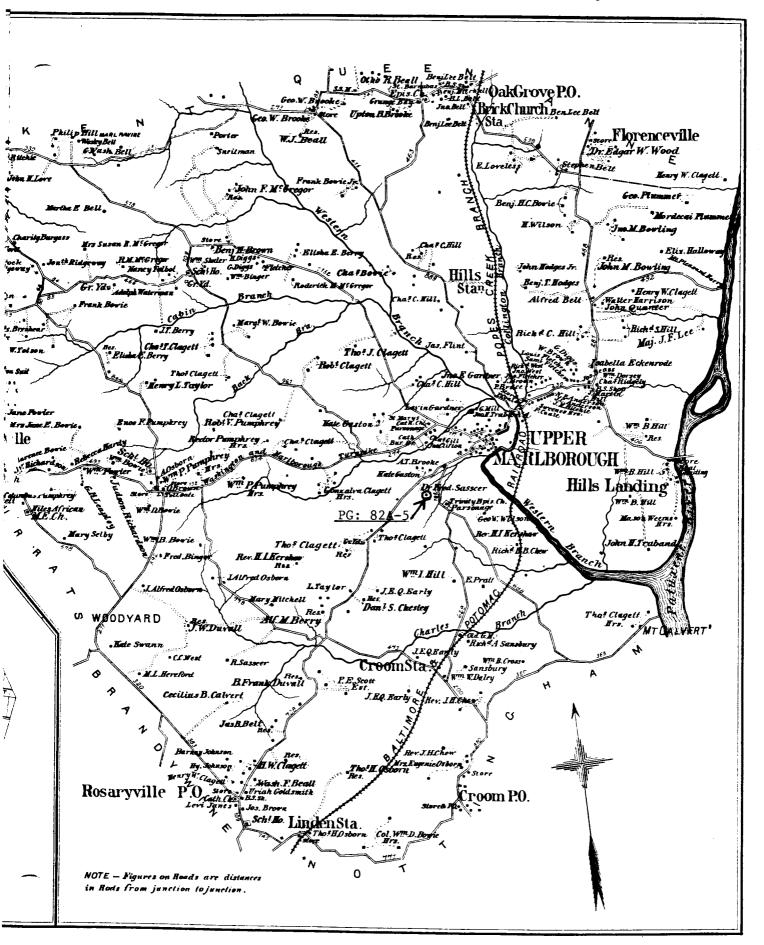
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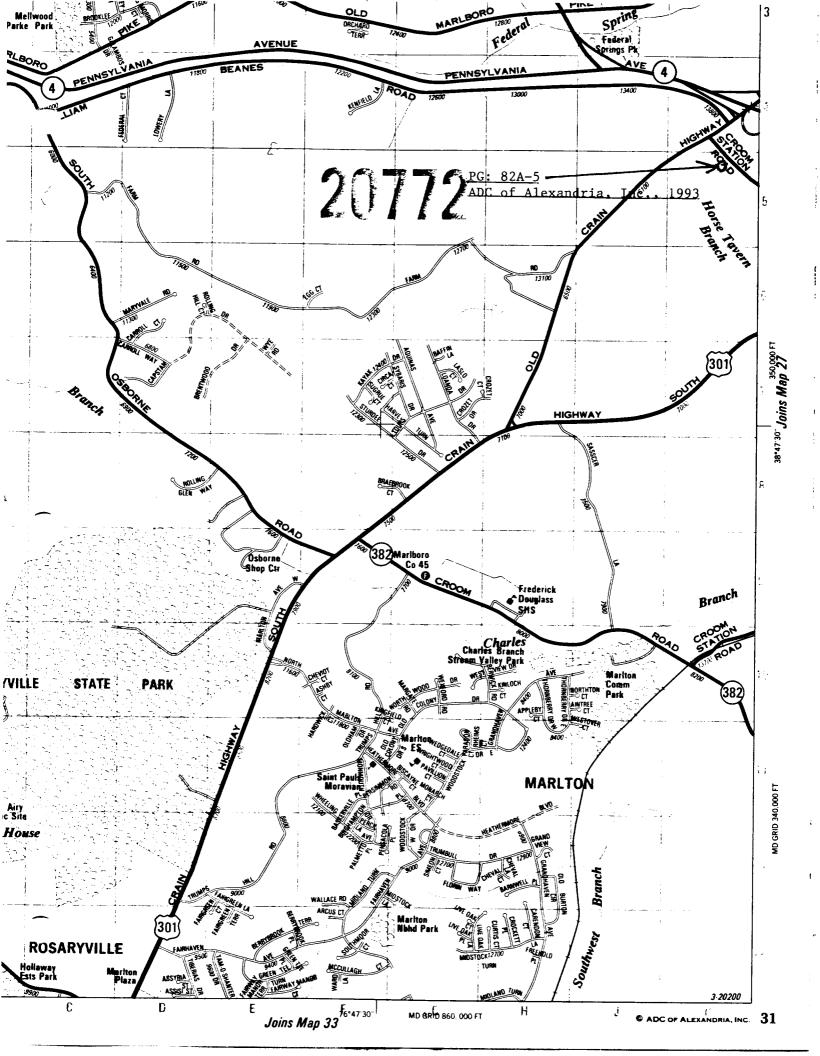
Estate of Dr. Frederick Sasscer who died intestate 13 Sept. 1888; widow Rosalie renounced her right to act as administratrix in favor of her two sons, Frederick and John H.S. Sasscer. No mention of real estate.

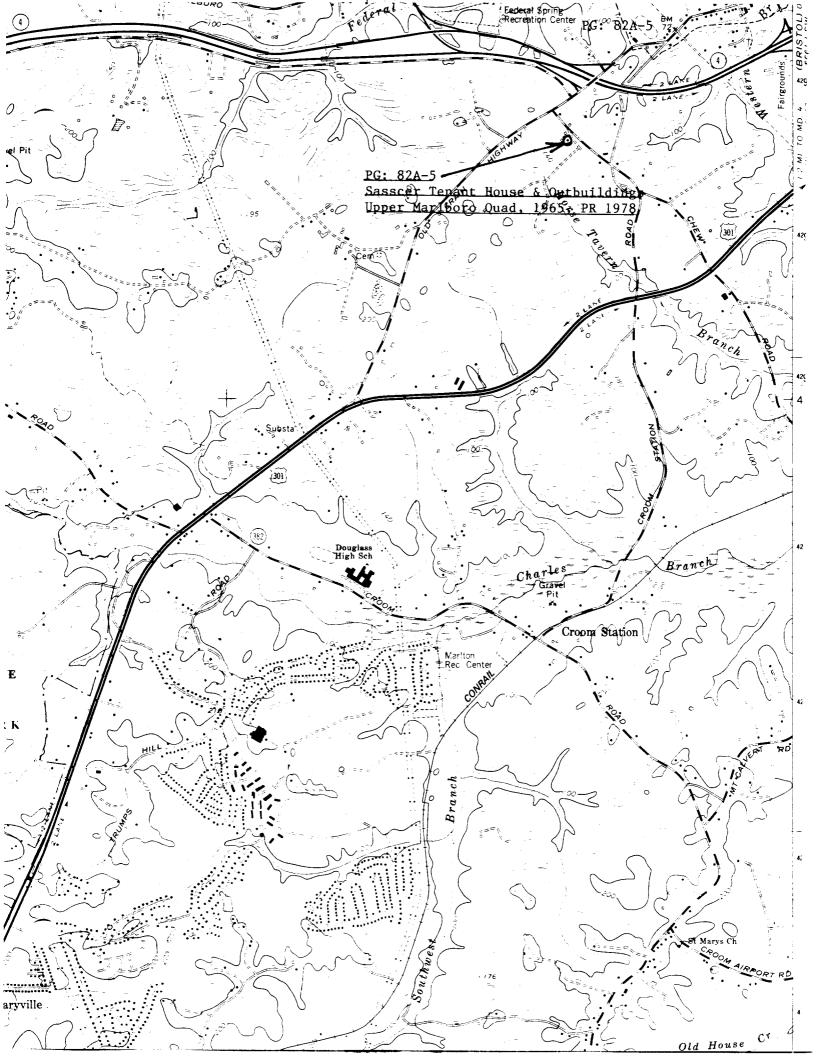
FS #1:548 15 June 1863 Deed Zadok, William H. and Henrietta S. Sasscer to Frederick Sasscer (all parties heirs at law of Zadok Sasscer who died intestate in 1859); 320 acres, the Meadows, part of Delay and Addition to Delay and part of Weston, lying contiguous to each other; agreement among heirs to divide the real estate of the deceased; same land which was purchased by Zadok Sasscer in his lifetime from Sarah Forrest and Mary M. Kearney, conveyed to his children after his death.

FS 1:306 6 Dec. 1862 Indenture Sarah Forest and Mary M. Kearney to Frederick Sasscer, Zadok Sasscer, William H. Sasscer and Henrietta S. Sasscer, all children and heirs of Zadock Sasscer deceased. Heirs want clear title to land bought by Zadock Sasscer in 1854, a part of The Meadows, Delay and Addition to Delay and Weston Hall a part of the real estate of the late Colonel David Crawford.





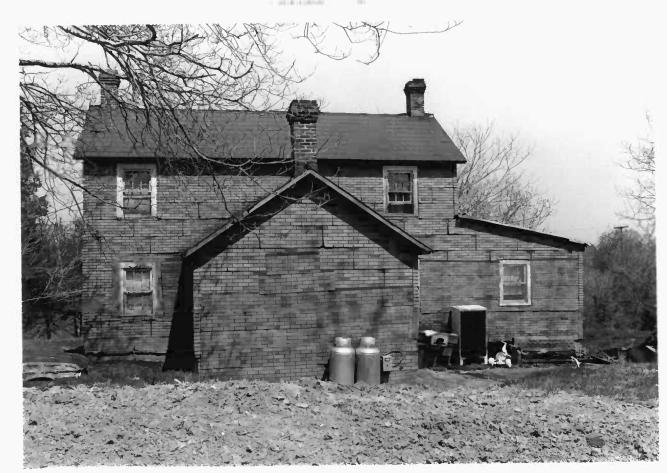






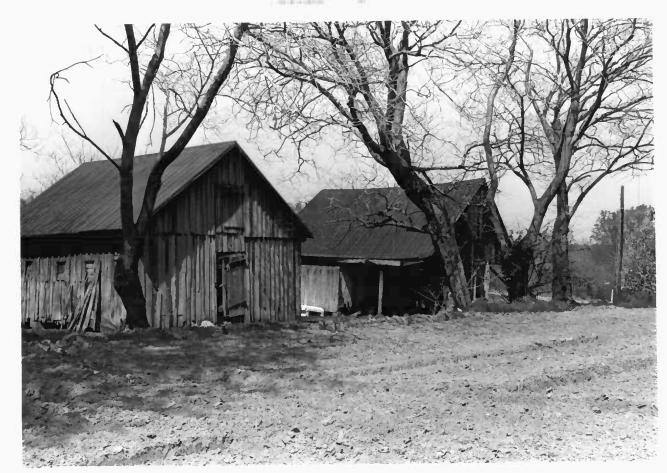
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